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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.312

Sir:

A notice of allowance was mailed on September 8, 2004, setting a period of three months for payment of the issue fee *i.e.* by December 8, 2004. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.312, an amendment after allowance must be filed before or with payment of the issue fee. The issue fee has not yet been paid. Accordingly, this amendment is being timely filed.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner enter this amendent which makes typographical changes and adds new claims to individually list the species of the markush group of claim 1. These species have been previously searched and found allowable.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.